Full Application for CPA Funding

Fuller Brook Park Preservation Master Plan

Revised Application – January 27, 2010

(Note – only 1st page has been revised as shown in red and new attachments added)

Submit to: Community Preservation Committee

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Sponsoring Organization, if applicable: NRC w/support from the FBPCC, Trails Committee

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Name of Proposal: Fuller Brook Park Preservation Master Plan Date: Nov. 24, 2009

CPA Category (circle all that apply):(

Open Space

Historic Preservation Recreation

CPA FY11-12 Funding Requested: \$275,000 Total Cost of Proposed Project: \$3,065,000 (CPA Funding to be requested in FY13-18)

Project Summary

The purpose of this request is to fund the preservation, restoration and rehabilitation of the structural, environmental and aesthetic integrity of the 100-year-old Fuller Brook Park. The Fuller Brook Park, also known as the Brook Path, is Wellesley's most popular and well-used public open space. The park extends from Dover Road near Wellesley College's Nehoiden Golf Course for 2.5 miles throughout the middle of the Town, through the Hunnewell Field Athletic Complex and along Caroline Brook and ends at Maugus Avenue. The park is approximately 23-acres and drains half of Wellesley's stormwater, while flowing into Waban Brook and ultimately into the Charles River. The original purpose for preserving the land adjacent to the brook was twofold. First, it prevented the building of homes in the brook's floodplains and wetlands and second, it gave pedestrians a safe passageway through a scenic park away from the traffic on Washington Street. Both purposes are still relevant today.

Revised Application Summary

At the CPC's request, the NRC has split the implementation of the Master Plan into separate phases and added a "Conceptual Design/Initial Schematic" phase, and as a result, the NRC is submitting this revised application requesting CPA funds for implementation of Phase 1 of the Master Plan for FY11-12. The NRC is working with the newly formed "Fuller Brook Park Master Plan Coordinating Committee" made-up of representatives from the NRC, CPC, Selectmen, School Committee, Board of Public Works, Historical Commission and Trails Committee in order to vet, support and advocate for the Plan. The Committee will be responsible for managing the plan process through the 1st phase. The NRC intends to submit additional applications for CPA funding for the remainder of the Master Plan in Fiscal Years 13-18.

Please see the revised attached documents and note that the remainder of the original full CPA application remains unchanged as submitted on Nov. 24, 2009:

- 1. Revised Plan Budget
- 2. Proposed Plan Implementation Timeline
- 3. Proposed "Request for Proposals" Outline with detailed descriptions of each component of Phase 1 of the Master Plan
- 4. CPA Eligibility Information for Open Space, Historic Preservation and Recreation Categories